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SARDINE SEASON POOR.**Eastport Factories Securing Herring From Portland.**

"Send us down some herring," is the cry that comes to Portland from the sardine packers at Eastport.

Herring have been sent during the past month to that section of the state. They have filled the steamers from Portland and special cars have been engaged to transport the hundreds and hundreds of barrels of fish.

But it has not been enough.

Eastport wants more, and after they get more they want still more. There seems to be no limit to the appetite of the sardine factories. And yet for all hundreds of barrels have been sent to the canneries and millions and millions of fish have been packed away in oil the trade has not been even a quarter supplied.

As a matter of fact, a very poor season is staring the packers in the face. Up to the present time, the herring have absolutely failed to string in at the eastward in any quantities. Practically all that have been canned have been received from Portland and many as these have been they have been but a mouthful for the voracious appetites of the factories. Thursday, some gentlemen who came to Portland from Eastport, reported that unless more herring are received a big loss in money will result and the people of the eastern city will have a hard time getting through the winter.

Lunenburg Fishing News.

John McLean & Sons, of Mahone Bay, have begun the construction of a fishing schooner for Capt. Conrad, of Rose Bay.

Capt. David Bachman, of Riverport, will have an auxiliary fishing schooner built for himself at Shelburne.

Ernst's yard, Mahone Bay, is getting ready for the construction of a new fishing schooner for Capt. Albert Eisnor, of Pleasant Point, and others.

The crew of the banks fishing schooner Alma Nelson shared \$500 for the season. Capt. Isaac Heckman will succeed the present commander Capt. David Bachman, on the vessel's trip to Cape Negro.

Three new vessels are on the stocks in Smith & Rhuland's yard. One for Capt. Albert Selig will be launched next week. A second, which is near completion, is for Capt. John Mosher. The third vessel, it is understood will be commanded by Capt. Daniel Zinck.

Captain Gabriel Himmelman of Riverport, is having a new fishing schooner built at Shelburne.

Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. Ramona was at Liverpool, N. S., last Thursday and cleared for the fishing ground.

Sch. Arcadia was at Louisburg, C. H., Thursday with 110,000 pounds of salt cod on board and cleared for the fishing ground.

Sch. Fish Hawk was at Liverpool, N. S., Friday and cleared for the fishing ground.

Schs. Rex and Elsie sailed from Canso, N. S., on Friday.

Sch. Clontonia was at Louisburg, C. B., on Friday with 100,000 pounds of salt cod on board. Sch. Hazel B. Hines was also there on that date hailing for 240,000 pounds of salt cod and sch. Annie M. Parker, also in there at the same time hailed for 120,000 pounds of salt cod. Sch. Clontonia cleared the same day, for the fishing grounds, as did the Hazel R. Hines, while the Annie M. Parker cleared for this port.

Sch. Cynthia was at Halifax, N. S., on Friday.

Last Month for Maine Herring Fishers.

The herring catches have only one month more in which to do business, as the Maine fishery laws forbid the canning of the fish after November 30. Owing to the lateness of the season when the fish put in an appearance the canners are way behind on their orders, and are making every endeavor possible to procure supplies. All along the eastern coast hundreds of fishermen are engaged nightly in making a catch, while in this vicinity more interest is manifested in the business than in former years. For the past week the catch in this locality has been rather disappointing, a majority of the fish taken having been so extremely small as to be unfit for canning purposes and consequently had to be sold for a mere nominal sum for lobster bait. With the colder nights now coming it is expected that better results will be attained.

ONE SEINER STILL AT NORTH BAY.

SCH. ARTHUR JAMES WITH 48 BBLs. MACKEREL ONLY ARRIVAL THIS MORNING.

Up to this morning there had been but one arrival at this port from off shore since Friday night, sch. Arthur James coming in during last night from a North Bay seining trip, with 48 barrels of salt mackerel and still further reducing the number of seiners now at sea, the only one now out being sch. Georgia, Capt. Solomon Jacobs, which will be along now in a few days.

The torchers and traps had a good day yesterday and also did some good dipping again last night, and it is estimated that the aggregate of their landings for the two mornings will not fall far short of 750 barrels. The herring are of the finest quality and quite a lot were put in the local freezers as the nucleus of a winter's frozen supply for the haddockers. The Stanwood freezer at the Fort was put in operation the latter part of last week.

There was so much fresh herring here Sunday and this morning that there was more than was required for the baiting of the vessels, and although the freezer handled all they could, some went to the salters and four big boat loads also went to Boston, where it will probably meet with a ready sale, as all there was there this morning was some very small herring.

The steamer Quoddy yesterday landed 6000 pounds of fresh fish, mostly pollock and the little steamers which came here some time ago from the Great Lakes, to engage in shore steam netting, had about 3000 pounds all together. These crafts have not fairly started in yet, as when they first tried they found the dogfish so plentiful that they could not afford to risk their fine nets in the water and have them all torn to pieces. Yesterday they went out to try the grounds, using some old played-out nets. They found some fish, but also found that the dogfish were there still in goodly numbers, but not as solid as formerly.

Sch. Marguerite had a small fare of fresh pollock at the Fort this morning.

Sch. Richard, one of the eastern shack fleet, also came in during the forenoon, with no fish.

Just before noon the sch. George Parker, which has been on an eastern cod shacking trip under command of Capt. Val O'Neill, came in with 65,000 pounds of salt cod.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Arthur James, North Bay, seining, 48 bbls. salt mackerel.

Sch. Emily Sears, shore.

Torchers and traps, 750 bbls. fresh herring.

Sch. Richard, eastern shacking.

Sch. Marguerite, shore, 2000 lbs. pollock.

Steamer Quoddy, shore, 6000 lbs. fresh fish.

Small boats, 3000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. George Parker, eastern shacking, 65,000 lbs. salt cod.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Mabel Bryson, pollocking.

Sch. Ralph Russell, pollocking.

Sch. John Hays Hammond, haddock-ing.

Sch. Mary E. Cooney, haddock-ing.

Sch. Helen B. Thomas, haddock-ing.

Sch. Rebecca, haddock-ing.

Sch. Mary DeCosta, haddock-ing.

Sch. Clara G. Silva, haddock-ing.

Sch. Rita A. Viator, haddock-ing.

Sch. Flora J. Sears, haddock-ing.

Sch. Hortense, haddock-ing.

Sch. Seacomet, haddock-ing.

Sch. Annie and Jennie, shore.

Sch. Nokomis, shore.

Sch. Tecumseh, shore.

Sch. Dixie, shore.

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NOVA SCOTIA FISH COMING.**Three Fares Will Be Brought to This Port for Sale and Curing.**

The Halifax Herald says that the Riverport, N. S., salt bankers Ambition and Montana are home with fares of 800 and 600 quintals respectively and that both fares have been sold to the Gorton-Pew Fisheries Company of this port.

The full catch of salt cod of the Lunenburg, N. S., sch. Clontonia, Capt. Emiel Mack, which arrived at her home port a short time ago, is being transferred to sch. Tasmania and will be brought to this port and sold.

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HADDOCK AND COD SCARCE.**TRIPS AT T WHARF RUN SMALL, AND RUN TO HAKE AND POLLOCK.**

Although Boston has 35 fares of fresh fish at T wharf today, there are only about 90,000 pounds of haddock in the whole lot and but a few over 80,000 pounds of codfish.

The fares throughout run small, those which could be called large being very much the exception and running mostly to hake.

Nine of the pollock fleet are in with catches of from 4000 to 16,000 pounds. Pollock must still be scarce as yesterday was the finest kind of a day and the fleet did not strike anything like good fishing.

Sch. Eugenia, with 26,000 pounds fresh fish, and Josie and Phebe, with 23,000 pounds, are the only off shore crafts in the dock, the former having beside the above amount 500 pounds of halibut, which brought the fancy figure of 25 cents per pound, the chickens bringing 10 cents per pound.

Sch. Ida S. Brooks, with 48,000 pounds of hake and pollock, and mostly the former, has the largest trip in and will come out all right as large hake are worth \$3.

Sch. Evelyn L. Thompson with 45,000 pounds, also mostly hake, but with 7000 pounds of cod among them, will also be in it for a nice stock.

Haddock are quoted at from \$3.50 to \$5.50, and large cod \$6 to \$6.25, while markets are from \$5 to \$5.50. Cusk sold at from \$1.50 to \$2 and pollock \$1.50.

For the week ending Friday night 90 fares of fresh fish aggregating 1,601,700 pounds were landed at T wharf, against 120 trips aggregating 2,338,500 pounds for the corresponding week last year.

The fares and prices in detail are:

Boston Arrivals.

Sch. Florida, 6000 cod.

Sch. Mary Emerson, 4000 cod.

Sch. Manomet, 6000 haddock, 8000 cod, 6000 hake.

Sch. Eugenia, 16,000 haddock, 5000 cod, 4500 hake, 500 halibut.

Sch. Harriet, 3000 haddock, 2700 cod, 4500 hake.

Sch. Richard J. Nunan, 3000 haddock, 1200 cod, 800 hake.

Sch. Harmony, 5500 haddock, 4500 cod, 2500 hake.

Sch. Thomas J. Carroll, 4500 haddock, 800 cod, 2000 hake.

Sch. Marguerite Haskins, 8000 pollock.

Sch. Lafayette, 5000 pollock.

Sch. Volant, 16,000 pollock.

Sch. Olympia, 16,000 pollock.

Sch. Jennie H. Gilbert, 4000 pollock.

Sch. Thomas Brundage, 12,000 pollock.

Sch. Laura Enos, 4000 pollock.

Sch. Iolanthe, 13,000 pollock.

Sch. Almeida, 10,000 pollock.

Sch. Mary T. Fallon, 5000 haddock, 900 cod, 6000 hake.

Sch. Hockomock, 8500 cod, 1000 hake, 2000 cusk.

Sch. Tecumseh, 9000 pollock.

Sch. George H. Lube, 3000 cod, 25,000 hake.

Sch. Leo, 4000 haddock, 5000 cod.

Sch. Rhodora, 900 haddock, 1500 cod, 12,000 hake.

Sch. Elva L. Spurling, 1000 haddock, 600 cod, 8000 hake.

Sch. Yankee, 5000 haddock, 1000 cod, 1000 hake.

Sch. Warren M. Goodspeed, 6000 haddock, 2000 cod, 11,000 hake.

Sch. Buema, 5000 cod, 8000 hake, 3000 cusk.

Sch. Mettacommet, 8000 pollock.

Sch. Evelyn L. Thompson, 7000 cod, 35,000 hake, 3000 cusk.

Sch. Emily Cooney, 3000 haddock, 5000 cod, 8000 hake.

Sch. Rose Standish, 4500 haddock, 1900 cod, 800 hake, 5000 cusk.

Sch. Stranger, 4000 haddock, 2200 cod, 5000 hake.

Sch. Ida S. Brooks, 40,000 hake, 8000 pollock.

Sch. Josie and Phebe, 14,000 haddock, 5500 cod, 3000 hake.

Sch. Emelia Enos, 1500 haddock, 1500 cod, 4000 hake.

Haddock, \$3.50 to \$5.50 per cwt.; large cod, \$6 to \$6.25; market cod, \$5 to \$5.50; hake, \$1.25 to \$3; cusk, \$1.50 to \$2; pollock, \$1.50; halibut, 25c per lb.; chickens, 10c per lb.

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AFTER HERRING FISHERMEN.**Maine Authorities Seeking to Keep Casco Bay Free From Pollution.**

In an effort to stop herring fishermen or others from throwing dead fish into the water of the upper Casco bay and in an effort to arrest any of the fishermen who do throw the dead fish overboard special fish wardens have been on duty at various points in Casco bay for the past two nights and it is said that arrests are sure to follow if the acts are repeated. The wardens are also on the lookout for fishermen who might be using nets with mesh of less than an inch square for it is known that the herring being caught are very small. The fact that some of the fishermen are said to have been fishing for herring within the 1,000 feet limit to fish weirs had also been brought to the attention of the wardens so the officials are having a very busy time around Casco bay.

It is known that dead herring have been thrown into the bay and that the herring have been driven further up the bay. It is known that the dead fish pollute the water and that the live fish will go to some other place probably three or five miles distant. The wardens have learned that the fish have changed several times since the fishing commenced and only recently the fish were driven from the vicinity of Little Whaleboat island to Goose Island.

HERRING AT BAY OF ISLANDS.**Several of the Salt Herring Fleet Will Sail for There This Week.**

Advices received here Saturday from Bay of Islands, N. F., state that herring have struck there, in the Arms. It is expected that quite a number of the salt herring fleet will sail from here this week.

The Western Star says:

"The catches of herring in various parts of the Arms have been very encouraging the past week. It would appear that a large body of herring is off shore and the favorable weather should have a good effect on the fishing. It is reported that herring have struck into Bonne Bay in large numbers."

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FISH AS FOOD.**Its Present High Price Ought to Start People Thinking.**

The high price of living brings the harassed consumer face to face with the problem of finding, if possible, substitutes to take the place of cereal products and meat. Fish as a diet naturally provides a partial change. It contains somewhat less of protean and more of fat than meat, but is far less expensive in proportion to its food values. Salmon, for instance, is about equal to lean meat, and a pound and a half cod, it is estimated, is equal in nutritive value to a pound of lean beef, while the cost is much less.

Many of the coarser kinds of fish today are tabooed by fashion and prejudice, although they sometimes equal in nutritive qualities those that are more popular. From this it is clear that the way is open to cooks for devising new ways of preparing piscatorial dishes which will tempt the palate. It is also clear that there is room for a greater development of the fishing industry and particularly for the protection and artificial increase of the fish supply. Thus the fish farms maintained by the federal government and by the various state governments which have heretofore been looked upon by some people more as fads than as practical utilities, bid fair eventually to assume an important economic position in the daily life of the nation.—Brockton Times.

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SEASON'S STOCK \$16,300.**Sch. Mabel D. Hines Did Not Start on First Trip Till April.**

Sch. Mabel D. Hines, Capt. Stanley Hines, weighed off 231,000 pounds of salt cod as the result of her recent salt bank trawling trip.

On this trip the big stock of \$9,200 was made and the crew made the fine share of \$270.48 to a man.

On her previous trip the craft stock-ed \$7,100, so that Capt. Hines closes a very successful season with a stock of \$16,300 to his credit, while the crew share for the season amounts to \$449, which is a nice return, as the vessel did not start in to fish on her first trip until April 5 and returned home here about two weeks ago.

Mackerel Imports to Date.

The imports of salt mackerel at Boston to date are 22,109 barrels against 16,675 in 1909, 32,889 barrels in 1908, 14,447 barrels in 1907, 28,417 barrels in 1906 and 18,331 barrels in 1905 to date.

The imports of fresh mackerel at Boston to date are 5,025 barrels against 10,304 barrels in 1909, 12,054 barrels in 1908, 7,420 barrels in 1907, 17,851 barrels in 1906 and 7,393 barrels in 1905 to date.

Mackerel Catch to Date.

The catch of salt mackerel to date by the New England fleet is 3,165 barrels, against 16,206 barrels to this date last season, 20,426 barrels in 1908, 30,770 barrels in 1907, 9,883 barrels in 1906 and 28,888 barrels in 1905 to date.

The catch of fresh mackerel by the New England fleet to date is 19,835 barrels against 46,439 barrels up to this time in 1909, 47,527 barrels in 1908, 56,163 barrels in 1907, 35,146 barrels in 1906 and 49,424 barrels in 1905 to date.

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Portland Fish Notes.

Friday's fishing arrivals: Schs. Albert W. Black, with 12,000 lbs. fish; Fanny Reed, 5000; Edmund F. Black, 12,000; Albert D. Willard, 9000; Katie L. Palmer, 10,000; Eva and Mildred, 12,000. Schs. Angie B. Watson, Watauga and Evelyn M. Thompson, fishing.

The vessels of the Portland fleet which were out on the fishing grounds Thursday made catches of various sizes, but most of them would have been as well off financially if they had remained at the wharf. A fierce northwesterly breeze was blowing most of the day, and as a result the vessels were badly washed by the heavy seas and nearly every craft that made a setting lost some gear.

Schs. Angie B. Watson, Albert W. Black and Fanny Reed were the worst affected, losing five or six tubs of gear each, the latter schooner having a dory capsized alongside, losing gear, fish and all, the fisherman in the boat barely escaping going down with his fish. Nearly 70,000 pounds of fish were landed by the fleet Friday, most of the catch being hake, while the Boston schooner Pontiac, which came in with about 50,000 pounds, proceeded to Boston with her catch.

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MACKEREL SALES.**Fares of Schs. Diana and Electric Flash Sold at \$26 per Bbl.**

The North Bay salt mackerel fares are about all off the market. The fare of sch. Diana sold to the Consumer's Fish Company, E. K. Burnham, manager, for \$26 per barrel.

The fares of schs Pinta and Monarch went to the Frank E. Davis Fish Company at the same figure and the trip of sch. Electric Flash sold to Fred Bradley, also at \$26.

The fare of North Bay salt mackerel of sch. Ralph L. Hall sold to Gorton-Pew Fisheries Company at \$26 per barrel.

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Today's Fish Market.

Handline Georges cod, large, \$4.25 per cwt.; medium, \$3.50.

Trawl Georges cod, large, \$3.75 per cwt.; medium, \$3.25.

Trawl bank cod, large \$4.25, mediums \$3.87 1-2, snappers \$2.75.

Drift Georges cod, large, \$4 per cwt.; medium, \$3.50.

Eastern double dory salt handline cod, \$3.87 1-2 per cwt. for large and \$3.55 for mediums.

Bank halibut 11 cents per lb. right through for white and gray.

Salt cusk, large, \$2.50 per cwt.; medium, \$2.

Salt haddock, \$1.25 per cwt.

Salt hake, \$1.25 per cwt.

Salt pollock, \$1.25 per cwt.

Dory handline cod, \$4.50 per cwt. for large, \$4.10 for mediums and \$3.25 for snappers.

Swordfish, 14 cts. per lb.

Splitting prices for fresh fish:

Western cod, large, \$2.25 per cwt.; medium, \$1.75.

Eastern cod, large, \$1.90 per cwt.; medium, \$1.55; snappers, 60 cts.

Western bank cod, large, \$2.50 per cwt.; medium, \$1.75; snappers 75 cts.

Cusk, large, \$1.65 per cwt.; medium, \$1.25; snappers, 50 cts.

Haddock, \$1.10 per cwt.; hake, \$1.35 per cwt.; dressed pollock, 75 cts. per cwt.; round pollock, 70 cts. per cwt.

Portland Fish Notes.

Nearly all the local fishing fleet were out Sunday, and as the weather conditions were fine, the receipts of fish yesterday were expected to be heavy. One schooner did not go out, however, the Albert W. Black being held back to get a new lot of trawls, etc., nearly all her gear having been lost, while on the fishing grounds last Thursday, for what was not swept away by the heavy seas were about ruined by the ravenous sharks, which followed the trawls almost into the dories, devouring the fish and playing the deuce with the gear. The fishermen will not be bothered with them much longer, however, for a few cold nights will see them scudding away for southern waters.

Herring receipts are falling off, only about 500 barrels having been landed the past two days. The season is nearing its close, and the fishermen say that with the advent of snow the fish will soon disappear.

Schs. Maud F. Silva, Aspinet and Margaret Dillon were here Sunday for bait.

Although only seven fishing vessels came into port Monday morning with fish, the total amount landed amounted to 88,000 pounds, making the day one of the best fish days of the season and with one exception the best day since early summer. The fleet included the Gloucester schooner Yakima, and she was the high liner of the seven, for she landed 8,000 pounds of halibut, 30,000 pounds of mixed fish, and 6000 pounds of salt fish. The entire fare landed by the Gloucester craft was caught on LaHave banks and for this time of the year her catch is a decidedly good one. The entire trip was bought by F. S. Willard & Co. at Central wharf.

The six other vessels in the fleet were the Wesley G. Sinnett, the M. Madeleine, Lochinvar, Crusader, Albert D. Willard and the Eva and Mildred, with from 2000 to 9000 pounds each.

Shore Fishermen Finding Dogfish Plentiful.

The shore fishermen are finding an unusual number of dogfish on their trawls now at a time when formerly these fish had left the shore grounds, and taken to deeper water. The fish do great damage to the lines, besides robbing them of fish and scaring the other fish away. Capt. John Shea of the Stranger, who fished at Tilley's bank, about 27 miles south of Thatcher's island, found the dogfish so numerous and so ravenous there that he quit in disgust with a small catch.

Fulton Market Fleet Finding Fish Scarce.

The vessels of the Fulton Market fleet are finding codfish scarce. There has been a shortage for some time past and prices have been high for both steak and market fish. Wednesday there was a scarcity of fish although the smack Eleanora Hill landed 1500 codfish for Kingsland & Comstock. The price on that day was 11 to 12 cents per pound. On Thursday there was another small lot of codfish to Eldred & Haley. The W. T. Dodge had 1200 fish. The quotation on that day was a shilling.

Fresh Mackerel at Boston.

There were more mackerel at T wharf yesterday morning than were expected after the bad weather of last week. The Yarmouth steamer brought in 48 barrels, and the Halifax steamer six barrels, and the 389 large mackerel that were found in one of the traps at Provincetown Saturday evening were also sent up. As these will be near the last to come in any quantity the price of mackerel went up several cents.

Louisburg, C. B., Mackerel Season Over.

The fall mackerel fishery at Louisburg, C. B., seems to be about over, at least the first school of these fish have passed along. About Hallowe'en was always a time when the fishermen would look out for a catch. This year the fish came along earlier than usual, and some fair catches have been made. Should another school come along about Hallowe'en time, the catch will be further increased.

Had Hard Weather.

Sch. W. E. Morrissey bound home here from a dory handline fishing trip to Quero, was at Mosher's Island, N. S., Thursday. Capt. Forbes reported fish scarce, and weather terrible rough, for 18 days in succession they could not launch a dory off the deck.

Sch. Helen G. Wells was at Louisburg, C. B., putting in on account of bad weather. Her captain wires that a heavy northeast gale was raging.